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ANOTHER outstanding window is the Forbes-Meagher window on Main street, where two of the most interestting Chickering pianos in the world are on display.

The first is the piano which was owned by the parents of President Theodore Roosevelt, and which for many years stood in the parlor of the family residence at 28 East 20th street, New York City. It was there and on this piano that the young Theodore practiced scales and learned, as many a boy of his time did, to play the familiar music of that day . . . pieces such as "Listen to the Mocking Bird," "Silvery Shower," and the immortal songs of Stephen Foster.

The home where this piano stood is now a memorial museum maintained in Roosevelt's memory.

The other piano which Forbes - Meagher brought to Madison especially for the centennial, is the one which stood on the stage of Ford's theater, Washington, on the night of Lincoln's assassination, April 14, 1865.

The scene being played at the moment required a piano and Laura Keene, the actress, had loaned her Chickering to complete the stage setting.

The piano, a mute witness of the tragedy, was cherished by Miss Keene until her death, and was added to the Chickering collection afterwards.

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Church Of God WMS Meets

The WMS of the Wilshire Church of God met in the fellowship hall of the church for their October business meeting and annual harvest sale.

Mrs. Ina Raudenbush, vice-president, presided at the meeting. Mrs. Helen Baumgartner gave the opening prayer. The society is sending a Christmas box of clothing this year, no toys. The deadline is December 1st for the gift to be in. Mrs. Bertha Rehm and Mrs. Helen Baumgartner who attended the conference in Defiance reported the meeting to the group.

Mrs. Nancy Lenman was in charge of the lesson, entitled, 'Tolerance Versus Tolerance'. Mrs. Rose Myers and Mrs. Rose Jackson each gave a different meaning for the word Tolerance in presenting the lesson. Cards were sent to shut-ins and signed by each at the close of the meeting. The hostesses for the month were Mrs. Bertha Rehm and Mrs. Rose Myers, who decorated for Halloween and carried the theme in their refreshments.

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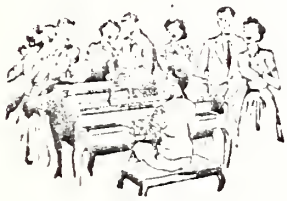

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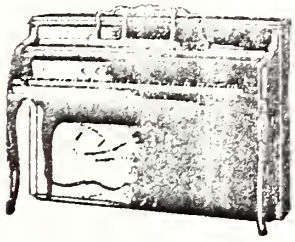

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Yes, October is the best time to choose a Chickering piano for extra savings! For generations in fine homes everywhere, the Chickering has stood as a symbol of beauty and decorative elegance. It has been applauded the world over for its matchless tone and superb craftsmenship. Enrich your family's life now, with a Chickering . . . a fine piano with a 141-year-old tradition of quality!

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during the last two weeks of Chickering month, the historical Chickering piano, which became a mute witness to the assination of our beloved President Lincoln. This piano, was loaned to the Ford Theatre, Washington D.C., by Miss Laura Keene, famous actress of that period, as part of the stage setting on that tragic night, years past.

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Mt. Zion Senior Ladies Meet

The senior ladies of the the Mt. Zion Evangelical United Brethren Church, located on the Celina and Mendon Road, Celina, held there monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Violet Brookhart on Thursday aftern on. Election of officers for the coming year of 1968 was held with the following members being elected into office: Elsie Christian, president; Aretha Wurster, vice president; Mellie Hasis, secretary and treasurer.

The hostess Violet Brookhart served a lovely lunch to the following members present, Norma Tigner, Edith Baer, Ada Nottingham, Violet Brookhart, Elsie Christian, Mellie Hasis, Arethra Wurster, Margaret Dickey and Ruth Myers.

The business meeting of the groups was conducted by the president, Mrs. Christian, and plans were made for a fellowship supper and a foodless bake sale. A good time was enjoyed by all.

The calf crop in 1967 will be about one per cent below last year, OSU economists estimate, with the decrease entirely in dairy calves.

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